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Federal Communication Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman:

As the Public Relations officer for the Pearland Police Department, I am writing to you today in an effort to inform you about my views on the "MUST CARRY" that is before the Federal Communication Commission.

An equitable "MUST CARRY" is vital in order to protect the viewer"s constitutional right to free broadcasting programming and information offered by all local stations. A "MUST CARRY" must make it possible for all local stations to be carried on cable systems. A minimum viewing standard or any other exclusionary facets will only serve to undermine the objective of "MUST CARRY". Excluding any licensed broadcasting station as part of the "MUST CARRY" is NOT in the public interest.

It is crucial that viewers be allowed their constitutional right to free programming and free information offered by KHSH TV 67. Viewers should be allowed to receive <u>ALL</u> the <u>FREE</u> stations when they subscribe to a cable company.

KHSH TV 67 produces a program on issues concerning the community. The "In Your Interest", I believe, is an important component to the offering of information to the People of Alvin, Pearland, and the Houston Metropolitan area. It is vital to all viewers to have access to the 13 hours of public information that is provided by KHSH TV 67. I have been an invited guest on Channel 67's issue responsive program "In Your Interest" to discuss matters of concern to ALL viewers. In it's unique format, "In Your Interest" affords a wider segment of the viewing audience the opportunity to gain important information that we discussed and presented differently from the traditional public affairs formats.